

MINUTES

Lansing Central MVTF Office
Lansing, Michigan

October 7, 2014
10:30 a.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

Board of Trustees and Staff

Chairman John E. James, present
Vice Chairman Charles Kosal, excused
Trustee Jason Biber, excused
Trustee Robert Williams, present
Trustee Barry Wood, present
Trustee Shawn Wilson, present
Trustee Brandi McBride, present

Lindell Holm, *Director*
Dawn Bollis, *Dept. Analysis*
Erik Napieralski, *Dept. Tech*

Chairman John E. James called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Notice of Open Meetings Act Compliance

Mr. Napieralski stated that the meeting notices were posted pursuant to Public Act 267 of 1976, the Open Meetings Act.

Introduction of Guests

None

Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

A MOTION (Wood/Williams) to approve the Public Minutes, of September 9, 2014, passed and carried.

Appeals & Reviews - Reconsideration

There was one personal hearing conducted at the October 7, 2014 emergent need work session. A total of 48 appeals and reviews were considered.

Case A-1 (Ingham County) **DENIED (Wood/Williams)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$2,400.00 for rent because grant assistance was previously received in 2011 and 2013.

Case A-2 (Ingham County) **DENIED (Williams/Wilson)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$799.00 for a mattress and bedroom set because an unforeseen temporary emergent need was not presented.

Case A-3 (Iosco County) **PARTIAL (Wilson/McBride)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application authorizing \$3,700.00; for electrical work (\$1700.00) and dentures (\$2,000.00) contingent upon the provided dental estimate. The remaining request for a new metal garage roof for \$2,000.00 was disapproved because an unforeseen emergent need was not presented.

Case A-4 (Kalamazoo County) **DENIED (McBride/Wood)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for mortgage (\$2,356.58) because sufficient income exists to pay this expense.

Case A-5 (Oakland County) **DENIED (Wood/Williams)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$1,545.00; for rent (\$850.00) and moving costs (\$695.00) because the expenses were paid already. An emergent need has not been presented.

Case A-6 (Oakland County) **UNTIMELY**

Case A-7 (Houghton County) **UNTIMELY**

Case RO-8 (Lapeer County) **DENIED (Williams/Wood)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$3,451.82; for mortgage (\$840.00), electric (\$375.00), heating gas (\$525.38) and auto payments (\$1,711.44) because the proper information for grant consideration was not provided.

Case RO-9 (Oakland County) **HOLD - FEMA**

Case RH-10 (Oakland County) **DENIED (Wilson/McBride)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$9,033.50; for water (\$298.84), washer/dryer (\$1,219.98), carpeting (\$1,384.24), furniture (\$2,794.10), bedroom set (\$1,526.38), computer (\$329.99), TV (\$999.99) and freezer (\$479.98) because an emergent need is not presented. Grant assistance was previously denied.

Case RH-11 (Oakland County) **DENIED (McBride/Wood)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$6,312.00 for a new furnace and a/c unit because an unforeseen emergent need was not presented. Sufficient income is not stated to pay for ongoing maintenance to your home.

Case RR-12 (Oakland County) **DENIED (Wood/Williams)**

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$4,179.00; for mortgage (\$3,594.58), heat (\$290.00) and water/sewer (\$294.32) as sufficient income exists to meet necessary expenses.

Case RH-13 (Ottawa County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$4,500.00 for basement home repair because sufficient income did exist to make necessary home repairs. Trustees Wood voted to approve.

Case RM-14 (Presque Isle County)

DENIED (Williams/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$1,922.00 for a medical bill because an emergent need was not presented.

Case RH-15 (Presque Isle County)

PARTIAL (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your application and partially approved your application for \$2,000.00 for fuel oil. The request for furnace repair (\$551.86) was disapproved because the repair was completed and payment arrangements have been made.

Case A-16 (Ingham County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$1,511.78; for September rent (\$357.50), two vehicle payments (\$900.54), Sprint (\$55.74), auto insurance (144.00) and credit card (\$54.00) because sufficient income is not stated to meet this expense.

Case RH-17 (Saginaw County)

DENIED (Wilson/McBride)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$10,800.00 for basement waterproofing because an unforeseen temporary emergent need was not presented. Other agencies and grants should be pursued.

Case RO-18 (Saginaw County)

DENIED (McBride/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$4,200.00 for an auto purchase because an emergent need has not been presented as sufficient income is not stated to maintain this expense.

Case A-19 (Oakland County)

MOVED TO NOVEMBER

Case A-20 (Oakland County)

DENIED (McBride/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$2,000.00; for DTE (\$600.00) and Consumers (\$1,400.00) because per BTP-101 states, if there is no reasonable expectation that the MVTF grant would enable the applicant to resume his/her responsibility, then a grant does not meet policy.

Case A-21 (Kalkaska County)

DENIED (Williams/McBride)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$408.43 for propane because an unforeseen temporary emergent need was not presented.

Case A-22 (Ingham County)

DENIED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$4,217.22; for mortgage (\$778.22) and dental (\$3,439.00) because an unforeseen temporary emergent need was not presented.

Case A-23 (Muskegon County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$5,500.00 for a new roof because sufficient income is stated to meet this expense.

Case A-24 (Monroe County)

APPROVED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for \$2,733.00 for dentures.

Case A-25 (Kalamazoo County)

DENIED (McBride/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$2,677.78 for mortgage because sufficient income is not stated to meet necessary expenses.

Case RO-26 (Oakland County)

HOLD - FEMA

Case RO-27 (Oakland County)

DENIED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$4,079.76; for bedroom set (\$1,379.76), furnace (\$1,800.00) and drywall repair (\$900.00) because the furnace and drywall expenses were already paid. The SBA should be pursued for assistance or an appeal with your homeowner's insurance provider.

Case RO-28 (Oakland County)

HOLD - FEMA

Case RR-29 (Oakland County)

HOLD - FEMA

Case RR-30 (Oakland County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$5,581.64; for auto/renter's insurance (\$1,164.11), rent (\$1,800.00), heating gas (\$1,829.89), electric (\$147.82) and water/sewer (\$639.82) because sufficient income is not stated to meet these necessary expenses.

Case RO-31 (Oakland County)

HOLD - FEMA

Case A-32 (Wayne County)

DENIED (Wilson/McBride)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$1,712.39; for heat and electric (\$1,289.60), water/sewer (\$322.79) and food (\$100.00) because sufficient income exists to meet necessary expenses. You stated you made payment arrangements with the water/sewer bill.

Case RM-33 (Grand Traverse County)

APPROVED (McBride/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application authorizing \$5,636.00 for extractions and dentures.

Case A-34 (Kent County)

DENIED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$1,060.00 for rent because sufficient income exists to meet necessary expenses.

Case A-35 (Kent County)

WITHDRAWN

Case A-36 (Clinton County)

APPROVED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application authorized \$3,000.00 for a vehicle purchase contingent upon an inspection if one is needed.

Case RH-37 (Ingham County)

UNTIMELY

Case RO-38 (Berrien County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$5,366.29; for heating gas (\$1,064.25) and auto repair (\$4,302.04) because the proper information for grant consideration was not provided.

Case RM-39 (Grand Traverse County)

APPROVED (Wilson/McBride)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application authorizing \$3,717.90 for dental extractions and dentures.

Case A-40 (Oscoda County)

DENIED (McBride/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$6,600.00 for a new roof because sufficient income is stated to pay this home repair.

Case A-41 (Berrien County)

DENIED (McBride/Wood)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$2,368.97; for heating gas (\$659.71) and 2013 property taxes (\$1,609.26) because there is no threat of eviction.

Case A-42 (Eaton County)

DENIED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$1,378.50 for mortgage because sufficient assets (401K) may be available to meet this expense.

Case A-43 (Kalamazoo County)

APPROVED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application authorizing \$5,715.00 for electrical wiring contingent upon current license information. Payment will be processed once the work is completed and inspected.

Case A-44 (Huron County)

APPROVED (McBride/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application authorizing \$2,136.60 for dental work.

Case A-45 (Ingham County)

DENIED (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$1,182.41; for rent (\$970.00) and heat/electric (\$212.41) because sufficient income exists to meet necessary expenses.

Case RR-46 (Kalamazoo County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees reviewed your request and disapproved your application for \$175.82; for heat and electric (\$134.00) and renter's insurance (\$41.82) because sufficient income exists to meet necessary expenses. The emergent need was not verified.

Case A-47 (Oakland County)

PARTIAL (Wood/Williams)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved you application authorizing \$1,329.85; rent (\$795.00) and vehicle payment (\$534.65). The T-Mobile (\$292.84) was denied because the emergent need was met.

Case A-48 (Wayne County)

DENIED (Williams/Wilson)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for \$3,100.00 for a new roof because an unforeseen emergent need is not presented.

The total amount authorized for emergency grants approved was 9/48 for **\$29,968.45**. Approved 6/27 Appeals for (\$18,614.55), 1/6 Review/Housing for (\$2,000.00), 2/3 Review/Medical for (\$9,353.90), 0/0 Review/Conflict of Interest for (\$0.00), 0/4 Review/Repetitive for (\$0.00) and 0/8 Review/Other for (\$0.00).

Accounting Report

A MOTION (Wood/Williams) to accept the 2015 fiscal year county budgets passed and carried.

Trustees discussed the monthly reports received from Treasury.

County & District Committees--Committee Appointments

None

Unfinished Business

Director Holm informed the Trustees he is still working on their request for iPads.

New Business

Director Holm informed the Trustees that he received a request from Oscoda County to have their own Trust Fund Office since they now have their own Veterans Affairs Office. Roscommon and Oscoda counties were made a district last year with the agent from Roscommon receiving an additional \$400.00 a year to attend to both counties.

Director Holm showed the Trustees a power point on the Modernization and Efficiency Proposal that was submitted to the Veteran Affairs Agency.

MVTF Board Activities

- Trustee Wood will be attending the American Legion Fall Conference.
- Trustee Wood requested a copy of the Senate Bill 1094 that was just introduced.

MVTF Staff Activities

None

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Director Holm shared with Trustees thank you notes from applicants they have assisted.

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 12:50 pm

Approved:

John James, Chairman

Date